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Claims 1 and 6-19 are now in this application, and are presented for the Examiner's consideration.

Claims 1 and 6-12 correspond to original claims of the same number. An Amendment under Article 11 was filed in the International application.

In order to ensure that these amendments are in the U.S. application, these amendments to the claims have been made to the original claims in the International Application.

In addition, all multiple dependencies have been eliminated. For this reason, new claims 13-19 have been added.

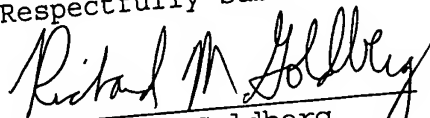
Further, claim 8 was incorrectly numbered as claim 4 and this has been corrected. Further, claim 10 depended from claims 10-12 and claim 8 depended from claim 10. These dependencies have also been corrected.

The specification has also been amended to add the amendments made under Article 11 in the International application. A copy of the Amendments made under Article 11 and an English language translation thereof are enclosed. However, the page and line numbers refer to the Japanese language text. Therefore, the page and line numbers have been changed herein to refer to the English language translation of the original International Application.

Please charge any additional fees incurred by this Preliminary Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1524.

It is hoped that this Preliminary Amendment will facilitate an examination of the application on its merits.

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